# Recent Activities & Initiatives in the ORNL Nuclear Data Program – USNDP 2014



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#### **NUCLEAR DATA ACTIVITIES**

#### **Nuclear Structure Data**

(C. Nesaraja, M. Martin, C. Smith)

- A-chain Evaluations
- XUNDL compilations

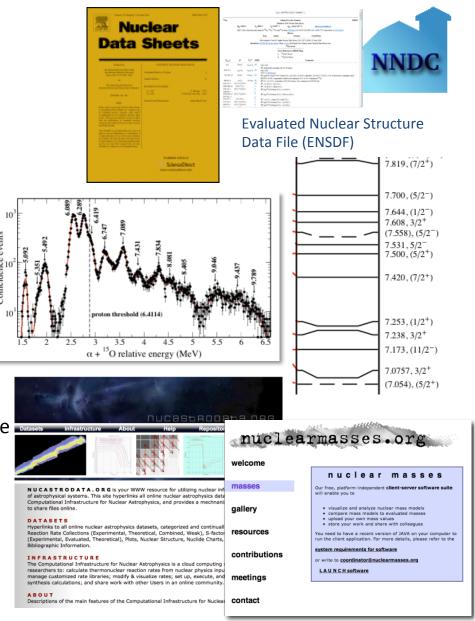
#### **Nuclear Astrophysics Data**

(M. Smith, C. Smith, S. Zhang)

- Assessments of reactions & structure critical for stellar explosion studies
- Determination of thermonuclear reaction rates from USNDP or other nuclear data sets
- Calculation of rates with theoretical models

## Online Software Systems (M. Smith, E. Lingerfelt, C. Smith)

- Recent enhancements to nucastrodata.org and the Computational Infrastructure for Nuclear **Astrophysics (CINA)**
- Recent enhancements to nuclearmasses.org and the Nuclear Masses Toolkit (NMT)



## **NUCLEAR STRUCTURE DATA**

## Responsibility:

Actinide Evaluations A=241 - 249 or others requested from NNDC

#### **Activities:**

1. ENSDF – Finalized Mass Chain Evaluation

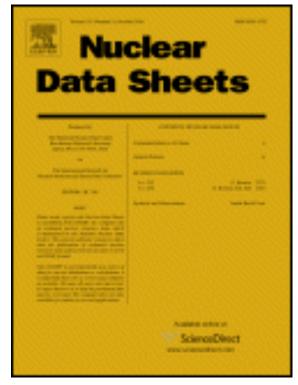
A=248 (M. Martin) – 8 nuclides, 22 datasets

A=241 (C. Nesaraja) – 8 nuclides, 28 datasets

2. ENSDF – Reviewed Mass Chain Evaluation

A=209 (M. Martin)





#### **NUCLEAR STRUCTURE DATA**

#### Activities (continued):

#### 3. XUNDL Compilations

#### C. Nesaraja (1 October 2013 – 19 August 2014) 24 datasets:

\* Co-compiled with B. Singh

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*154Ho: 141Pr(16O,3n)154Ho
                                     *84Ge: 84Ga β decay
                                                              *83Ge: 84Ga β-n decay
*123Cs: 96Zr(32S,Xy)
                                     *124Ba: 96Zr(32S,Xy)
                                                              *146Eu:146Gd EC decay
*44Ti: 40Ca(\alpha, \gamma)44Ti
                                     *142Sm: 116Cd(31P,p4n) *26Mg: 18O(13C,\alphan\gamma)
*208Pb:208Pb(p,p')
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*238U: 238U(n,ny')
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                                                              209Pb:9Be(208Pb,8Be)
131Sn:9Be(132Sn,10Be)
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                                                              180Hf:Ta(p,X)
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                                    97Rb:241Pu(n,Fγ)
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#### C. Nesaraja & C. Smith (19 August 2014 – 30 September 2014) 6 datasets:

199At: 165Ho(40Ar,6n) (2014AuAA) 201At: 165Ho(40Ar,4n) (2014AuAA) 78Kr: Coulomb Excitation (2014KU10) 82SR: 12C(78Kr,2αγ) (2014KU10) 90SR: 12C(86Kr,2αγ) (2014KU10)

## **NUCLEAR STRUCTURE DATA**

#### **Future Activities**

#### **ESNDF**

A=41 mass chain evaluation Caroline Nesaraja with Libby McCutchan (NNDC) A=242 mass chain evaluation by Murray Martin

#### **XUNDL**

Compile / process 1 paper / week – Caroline Nesaraja, Chris Smith

#### **Experimental Work**

#### Collaboration with NNDC

- Cross section measurements of Pt irradiated samples (NNDC-BLIP)
- Gamma ray measurements of PET imaging radionuclides using Gammasphere (NNDC-BLIP)

#### Possible Collaboration with K. Rykaczewski (ORNL)

- Total absorption spectrometry measurements with the MTAS system

### Processing data sets for use in astrophysical models

- improve techniques
- process recent published data sets









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# Charged-particle thermonuclear reaction rates: II. Tables and graphs of reaction rates and probability density functions

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NACRE II: an update of the NACRE compilation of charged-particle-induced thermonuclear reaction rates for nuclei with mass number A < 16

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#### Abstract

An update of the NACRE compilation [Angulo et al., Nucl. Phys. A 656 (1999) 3] is presented. This new compilation, referred to as NACRE II, reports thermonuclear reaction rates for 34 charged-particle induced, two-body exoergic reactions on nuclides with mass number A<16, of which fifteen are particle-transfer reactions and the rest radiative capture reactions. When compared with NACRE, NACRE II features in particular (1) the addition to the experimental data collected in NACRE of those reported later, preferentially in the major journals of the field by early 2013, and (2) the adoption of potential models as the primary tool for extrapolation to very low energies of astrophysical S-factors, with a systematic evaluation of uncertainties.

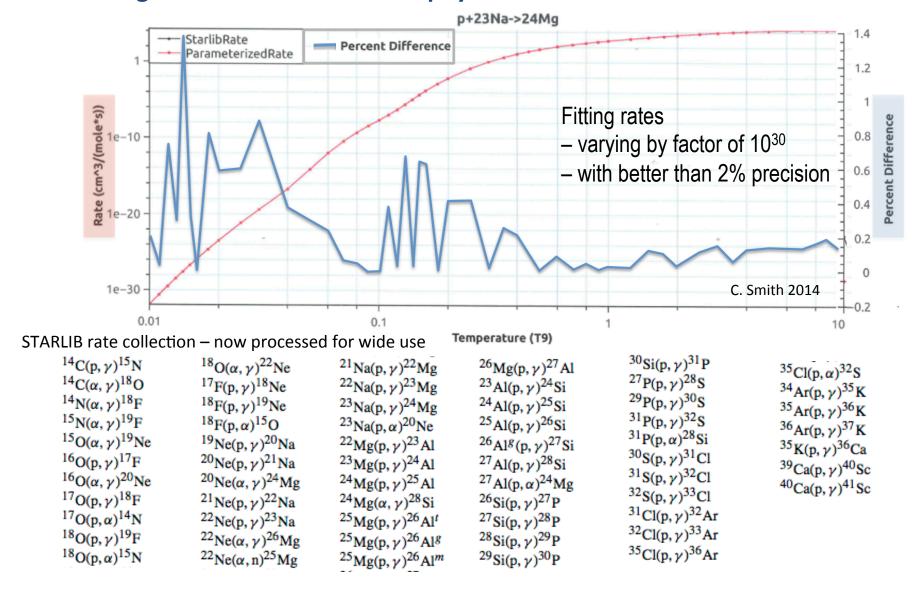
As in NACRE, the rates are presented in tabular form for temperatures in the  $10^6 \lesssim T \leq 10^{10}$  K range. Along with the 'adopted' rates, their low and high limits are provided. The new rates are available in electronic form as part of the Brussels Library (BRUSLIB) of nuclear data. The NACRE II rates also supersede the previous NACRE rates in the Nuclear Network Generator (NETGEN) for astrophysics. [http://www.astro.ulb.ac.be/databases.html.]

Keywords: thermonuclear reaction rates, nuclear astrophysics, potential model, dwba

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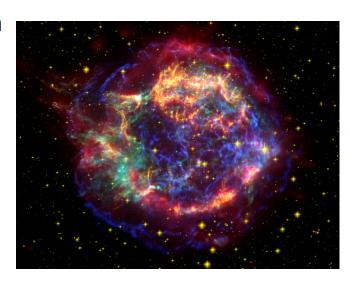
#### Processing data sets for use in astrophysical models

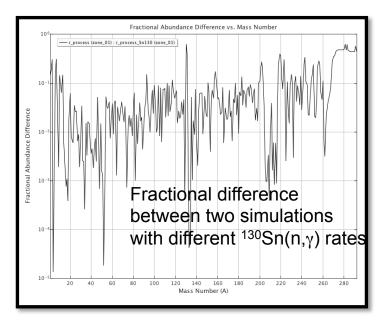


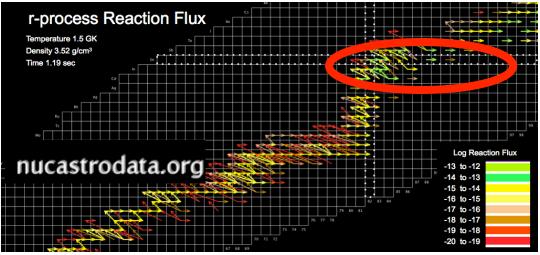
# **Assessment** of neutron captures on Exotic Sn nuclei lying in / near the r-process path

Motivation: variations in  $^{130}$ Sn(n, $\gamma$ ) shown to make **global** changes in r-process abundances

Approach: data assessments combined with nuclear structure and reaction calculations leading to improved neutron capture rates







Project: benchmark FRESCO reaction code and RMF-based structure calculations for direct neutron capture cross sections

Exploration of Direct Neutron Capture with Covariant Density Functional Theory
Inputs

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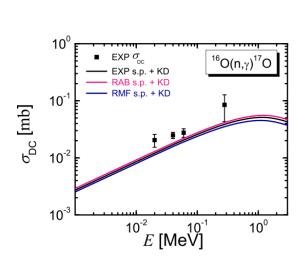
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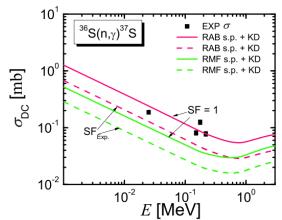
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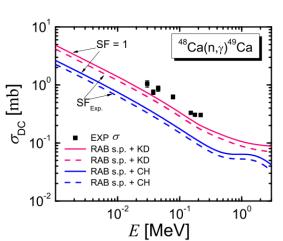
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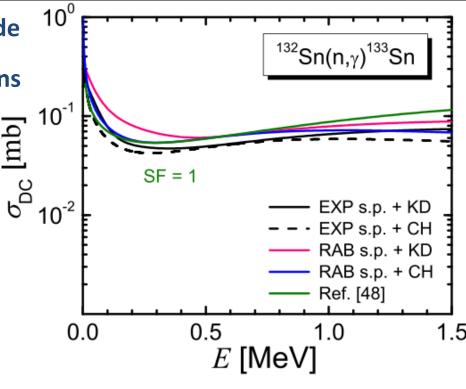
Predictions of direct neutron capture are of vital importance for simulations of nucleosynthesis in supernovae, merging neutron stars, and other astrophysical environments. We calculated direct capture cross sections using nuclear structure information obtained from a covariant density functional theory as input for the FRESCO coupled reaction channels code. We investigated the impact of pairing, spectroscopic factors, and optical potentials on our results to determine a robust method to calculate cross sections of direct neutron capture on exotic nuclei. Our predictions agree reasonably well with experimental cross section data for the closed shell nuclei <sup>16</sup>O and <sup>48</sup>Ca, and for the exotic nucleus <sup>36</sup>S. We then used this approach to calculate the direct neutron capture cross section on the doubly magic unstable nucleus <sup>132</sup>Sn which is of interest for the astrophysical r-process.

PACS numbers: 21.60.-n, 21.10.-k, 24.10.Jv, 21.10.Ma, 25.85.Ec









## **ONLINE SOFTWARE SYSTEMS - CINA**

#### **Computational Infrastructure for Nuclear Astrophysics**

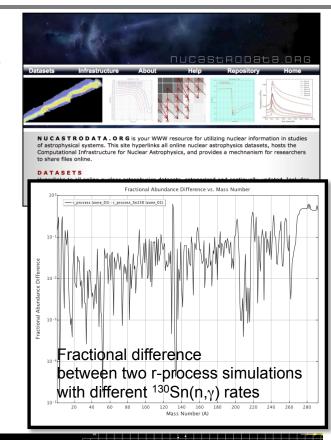
CINA streamlines the incorporation of the latest **NUCLEAR DATA** into astrophysics simulations

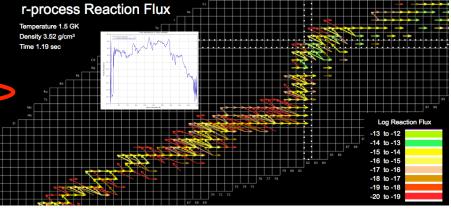
## Processing enables USNDP data to be used for astrophysics simulations

Accessible via an easy-to-use, web-deliverable, cross-platform Java application

#### Newest feature in CINA: r-process calculations

- Online core-collapse supernova r-process and cold r-process simulations with over 4500 isotopes and > 51,000 thermonuclear reactions rates
- Temperatures and Densities from multi-D supernova simulations
- Plotting of abundances, reaction fluxes, 2-D animations
- Plot fractional abundance difference of two simulat
- Overlay predicted abundances with observations
- Set up custom calculations in 9 steps
- Significant extension of JINA REACLIB library





### **ONLINE SOFTWARE SYSTEMS - CINA**

### **WIDELY UTILIZED community resource** for nuclear data in nuclear astrophysics

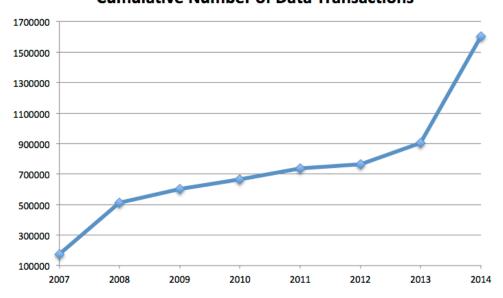
Registered Users from over 35 countries and 156 institutions with an average of one new User/week over a six year period.

New improvements and content at *nucastrodata.org* include:

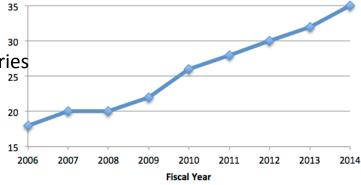
- Redesign of website's "Look and Feel" and menu options
- Updated links to online nuclear astrophysics datasets and libraries

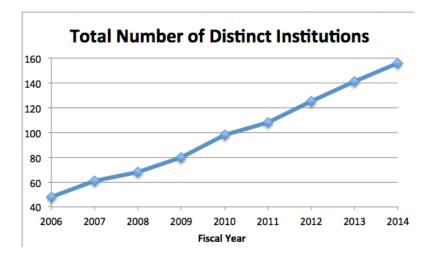
Since the beginning of FY2007, CINA has logged over 1.5M data transactions

#### **Cumulative Number of Data Transactions**



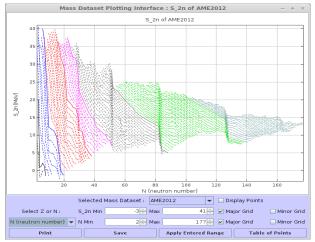
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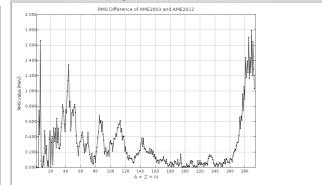




## **ONLINE SOFTWARE SYSTEMS – Nuclear Mass Toolkit**

# nuclearmasses.org





### COMPONENTS

Java GUI for Users
Secure PHP Web Portal
Data Analysis Codes
MySQL Database
Host Website

**RAPIDLY COMPARE** datasets with

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-	Dataset sharing often determined by author or publisher	EASILY SHARE datasets online
4 4 9	Datasets in multiple formats	STANDARDIZED format used for all datasets
	Visualizations hand-built, usually only experts bother	QUICKLY GENERATE customized 1D & 2D plots via easy-to-use JAVA GUI

## **ONLINE SOFTWARE SYSTEMS – Nuclear Mass Toolkit**

New improvements *planned* in FY15 for Nuclear Mass Toolkit include work to support the new Atomic Mass Evaluation effort: [via discussions with IMP Lanzhou]

- creation of new data space to enable AME collaborators to share files
- new visualization tools for AME collaborators
- enable mass values to be tagged with comments by AME collaborators
- pop-up graphs of previous mass values of any chosen nuclide
- Redesign of website's "Look and Feel" and menu options for enhanced usability
- upload additional theory mass tables
- upload additional nuclear mass references
- continue to host McMaster mass compilations

Mass Difference
AME2012 – AME2003

-2 MeV

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nuclearmasses.org

### **Future Work**

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- Mass chain evaluations A = 41, 242
- Collaborate with evaluators at NNDC
- XUNDL compilations

#### **Experimental Measurements**

- Cross section measurements of Pt irradiated samples
- Gamma ray measurements of PET imaging radionuclides with Gammasphere
- Total absorption spectrometry

#### **Nuclear Astrophysics Data**

- Systematic calculation of neutron capture on exotic Sn isotopes
- Fits of thermonuclear reaction rates in recent published collections

#### **Computational Infrastructure for Nuclear Astrophysics**

- Calculation of rates from resonance parameters
- Incorporate additional rate collections into our system

#### **Nuclear Masses**

Develop tools at nuclearmasses.org for future mass evaluation efforts

## **Metrics**

#### **Effort**

Permanent staff: 2 heads (C. Nesaraja, M. Smith), 1.2 FTE

Scientific Temporary staff: 2 heads (M. Martin, S. Zhang), 0.65 FTE Technical/Support staff: 2 heads (E. Lingerfelt, C. Smith), 1.0 FTE

**Evaluations:** 16 nuclides across 2 A-chains

**Compilations:** 30 [XUNDL]

**Retrievals (dissemination): 875000** 

**Publications:** 9

Reports: 0

**Invited talks: 7**